

## WISCONSIN DNR FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET LAKE MINNESUING, DOUGLAS COUNTY 2017

The WDNR conducted a fisheries assessment of Lake Minnesuing, Douglas County from April 5 to April 13, 2017. Lake Minnesuing is a 432 acre drainage lake and has a maximum depth of 43 feet. The fishery includes panfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, and walleye. Lake Minnesuing was estimated to contain 207 adult walleye or 0.5 fish per acre.



<u>Walleye</u>	
Total Captured	73
Avg. Length (in.)	19.8
Length Range (in.)	12-26
% >14"	97%



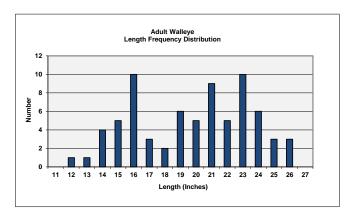
Northern Pike	
Total Captured	105
Avg. Length (in.)	20.4
Length Range (in.)	14-39
%>26"	10%

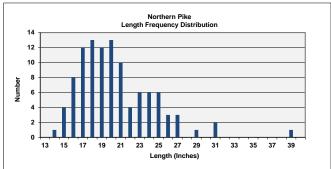


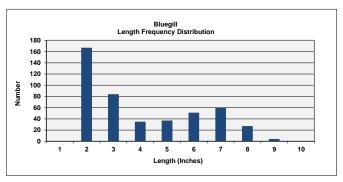
Bluegill	
Total Captured	465
Avg. Length (in.)	465 4.1
Length Range (in.)	2-9
% >7"	20%

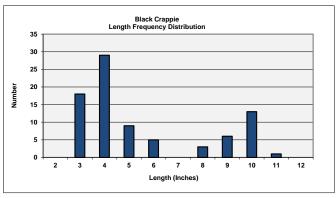


Black Crappie	
Total Captured	84
Avg. Length (in.)	84 5.5 3-11
Length Range (in.)	3-11
% >8"	27%









## **Other Species**

Species observed during this survey but not inluded in the report were brown bullhead, central mudminnow, common shiner, creek chub, largemouth bass, pumpkinseed, rock bass, white sucker, yellow bullhead, and yellow perch.

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Lake Minnesuing this year. Creel clerks Chris Coffin, Mac McInroy or Jake Jacobson will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

Stocking History (Past 10 Years)

Year	Species	Number Fish Stocked	Avg Fish Length (IN)	Source
2015	Walleye	2,251	7.5	DNR Hatchery
2013	Walleye	2,157	6.5	DNR Hatchery
2011	Walleye	15,120	1.7	DNR Hatchery
2009	Walleye	15,144	1.7	DNR Hatchery

A brief summary of selected fishing regulations is included below. While the regulatory information provided was current at the time the surveys were conducted, it is not comprehensive and should not be used as a substitute for the current fishing regulation pamphlet. You may obtain a copy of current fishing regulations when you purchase your fishing license, or download a copy from our web site at: <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/regulations/">http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/regulations/</a>

General Fishing Regulations for Lake Minnesuing, Douglas County2017

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FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 06-March 04	3	NO MINIMUM, 1>14"
Largemouth Bass	May 06-March 04	*5	14" MINIMUM
Smallmouth Bass	June 17-March 04	*5	14" MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 27-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 06-March 04	5	NO MINIMUM
Panfish	All year	25	NO MINIMUM

<sup>\*</sup>During harvest season for each species; you may keep any combination of five largemouth or smallmouth bass in total.

This report is interim only; data and findings should not be considered final. Results of creel surveys should be available by June of the year following the survey. If you are interested in a summary of the creel survey or want an update on this year's fyke netting and electrofishing survey results contact:

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For answers to questions about fisheries management activities and plans for Lake Minnesuing, Douglas County contact:

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